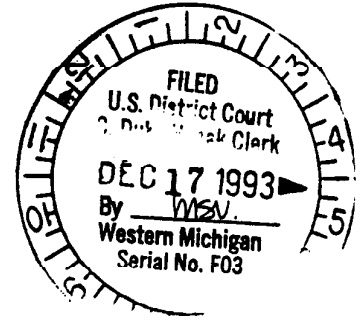


UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION



IN THE MATTER OF THIRD AMENDMENT
TO CIVIL JUSTICE EXPENSE AND
DELAY REDUCTION PLAN

Administrative Order
No. 93-124

On December 18, 1991, this court adopted a Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 471, et seq. On August 28, 1992, the court entered an order amending the plan. The order, among other things, required a case management scheduling conference held pursuant to Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to be held no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the last defendant's first responsive pleading, except in Non-DCM cases.

The court's experience to date under the plan leads the court to conclude that the case management scheduling conference should be held no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the last defendant's first responsive pleading, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The Civil Justice Advisory Group has approved the concept of amending the timing of the case management scheduling conference for all applicable civil actions.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan adopted by this district be and it hereby is amended to add the following provision:

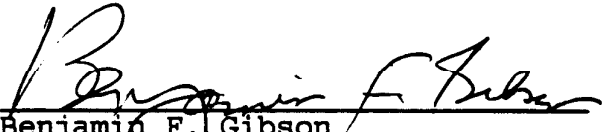
Except in Non-DCM cases, a case management scheduling conference held pursuant to Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure shall be held no later than forty-five (45) days after receipt of the last defendant's first responsive pleading, or as soon thereafter as practicable. The conference may be conducted by telephone or in person, according to judicial preference.

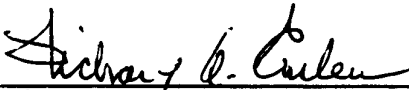
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as herein amended, this court's Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan, as embodied in the orders dated December 18, 1991, August 28, 1992, and November 16, 1993, shall remain unchanged.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk shall distribute copies of this amendment as required by law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment shall take immediate effect.


Dated this 17th day of December, 1993.


Benjamin F. Gibson
Chief Judge


Richard A. Enslen
United States District Judge


Robert Holmes Bell
United States District Judge


David W. McKeague
United States District Judge


Gordon J. Quist
United States District Judge